FORM PTO-1449/A and B (Modified)  INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT				APPLICA	APPLICATION NO.: 09/411,792 ATTY. DO		KET NO.: 99-TK-	551SS	
				FILING	FILING DATE: October 1, 1999 CONFIRMA			409	6
				APPLIC	APPLICANT: David Alan Edwards et al.  GROUP ART UNIT: 21/1 REXAMINER: Ted T. VA				, R
Sheet	heet 1 of 1								
onot			<u> </u>	U.S.	SEP 0 8 PATENT DOCUMENTS	200k <u>B</u> )		STRAIN.	
Examiner's Cite U.S. Pat			.S. Patent Docum		Name of Patentany Application Cited		Date of Publication or of iss		sue
Initials	No.	Number		Kind Code	Document		of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY		
"For		5,345,580			Tamuru et al.		09/06/1994		
<del></del>	ļ			<del> </del>					
				<del> </del>	-	· · · · ·			
·_=·····	<del> </del>			+					
•	<u></u>			FOREIG	ON PATENT DOCUMENTS				
Examiner's Initials	Cite No.	For	eign Patent Docu		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Publ				lation
		Office/ Country	Number	Kind Code	Document (not necessary)	) 	Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	(Y/N)	
TIV		EP	0 720 093	A1	Miyamori et al.		07/03/1996		
で/		EP	0 762 276	A1	Circello et al.		08/22/1996		
11/		EP	0 869 434	A2	Yano et al.		10/07/1998		
<del></del> -	$\vdash$	<del> </del>							
	1		OTHER	APT — NON	PATENT LITERATURE DOG	TIMENTS	<del>1</del>		
Examiner's	Cite No	Include (book, n	OTHER ART — NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS  Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS) title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, relevant page(s), volume-issue number(s), sublishes oith and/or country where published.					Translation (Y/N)	
Initials		publisher, city and/or country where published.  European Search Report from a corresponding European Application No. 00308369							
Initials		Luiopean						1	1
Initials		European							$\vdash$
Initials		European							

#EXAMTNER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to Applicant.

[NOTE - The Office hereby waives the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98 (a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication publication for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003 and for all international applications that have entered the national stage under 35 USC 371 after June 30, 2003. See 37 CFR 1.491(b). For all patent applications filed on or before June 30, 2003, copies of cited U.S. patents and patent application publications are still required unless an eIDS is filed. Copies of all other patent(s), publication(s), or other information listed must still be provided, even if it was previously submitted to, or cited by, the U.S. Patent Office in an earlier application, unless the earlier application is identified by the IDS and is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120, and the copy was provided in the earlier application.]

<sup>\*</sup>a copy of this reference is not provided as it was previously cited by or submitted to the office in a prior application, Serial No. \_\_\_, filed \_\_\_, and relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120 (continuation, continuation-in-part, and divisional applications).